

Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services

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Accessing Commercial Structure Preplans

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MESSAGE

The Howard County Department of Fire and Rescue Services (Department) preplans are now available via the CAD page, accessible from the Sizeup page. The plans have been condensed into a single PDF file, and are organized by box area. Looking at the CAD page, there is a new column that lists the box area of an Incident (Figure 1). If there are plans available for a building within that box area, it will turn blue and become a clickable link. Note that just because there are plans available within the box area, this does not mean that the specific Incident address has an existing plan. In this example, A75 and E71 have been dispatched to 6336 Cedar Lane for a medical call. The box area is 0708 and is a blue hyperlink, meaning there are preplans available within that box area.

| <u>F16018969</u> | <u>1616235</u> | 06/20/2016 08:41:44 | MEDICAL - BLS-COLD(Alpha) | 2115 GANTON GREEN A85 E82 | 0812 |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|
| <u>F16018970</u> | <u>1616236</u> | 06/20/2016 08:42:17 | MEDICAL - BLS-HOT() | 5328 ELIOTS OAK RD A76 | <u>0710</u> |
| <u>F16018971</u> | <u>1616237</u> | 06/20/2016 08:50:00 | MEDICAL - ALSA-HOT(Charlie) | 6336 CEDAR LN A75 E71 | 0708 |
| F16018972 | <u>1616239</u> | 06/20/2016 09:23:41 | MEDICAL - TASER() | 9920 WASHINGTON BLVD A65 RE6 | 0607 |

Figure 1

Once the box area is clicked, the following screen is opened in an internet browser (Figure 2):

hwdfireweb01 - /cad/preplans/0708/

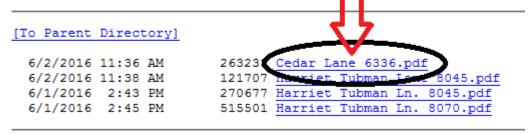


Figure 2

All available pre plans are listed, to access simply click the address. Note that the street names are listed before the address names.



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The full preplan is now displayed (Figure 3).

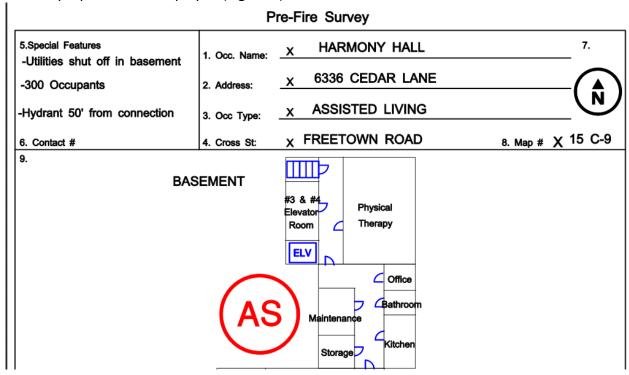


Figure 3

If while accessing preplans any discrepancies or needed changes are noted, personnel may submit a PDF file with updated information to preplans@howardcountymd.gov. Further preplan information will be forthcoming in a future Department General Order.